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1. The acreage will increase by 50% of the existing acreage or 50 acres, whichever is smaller. For example, if a 10 acre site increases by 5 acres, it would then fall within this category.
2. The surety will increase by 25% of the existing surety or \$50,000, whichever is smaller.
3. The overall additional environmental impacts are considered significant, when compared with impacts already affecting the site. The degree of change would not be negligible. This determination is made after evaluating the impacts to soils, vegetation, hydrology (ground and surface), wildlife, air, or other media.
4. The impacts proposed in the amendment are significant enough to warrant the need for an opportunity for public comment.

May 22, 1991  
Effective Date of Policy

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